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FATAL WRECK.

Wm. R. Spaulding Killed in Collision.

Two N. & W. Freight Trains Come Together at Prichard W. Va.

As the result of a head-on collision between a west bound and an east bound freight train on the N. & W. near Prichard early last Tuesday morning Fireman Spaulding, of Wheelersburg, O., is dead and brakeman Sam Kelley, of Dunlow, and Engineer Charles Ingalls, are badly injured. One of Kelley's feet was cut off and Ingalls is cut and bruised very seriously. Kelley was riding on the engine when the accident occurred and was caught in the wreck. Spaulding's father lives at Webb, east of Fort Gay. His wife is the N. & W. operator at Wheelersburg. Several trainmen saved themselves by jumping, but the fireman was buried under the engine and it was hours before his body could be taken from the ruins.

Of the real cause of this bad wreck but little is known. It is said that the engineer of the west bound train lost control of his engine. He had orders to take siding at Prichard, opposite Buchanan, on the C. and O., but failed to stop as ordered. He had proceeded but a short distance when the east bound train came along at a high rate of speed and the catastrophe ensued.

A large number of cars were ruined and it was several hours before the track was cleared for traffic.

Ellen.

Thompson Berry still travels in various counties as a drummer.

John Poe has moved into the house vacated by Wesley Miller.

Dave Jordan will soon return to his home in Japan.

Mrs. James Poe was visiting relatives at Smoky Valley Friday.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. John Jordan, who has been very sick, is much improved.

Misses Lula and Lora Poe visited their cousins Gertrude and Ruby Poe, recently.

Charley Gartin was visiting Miss Mollie Lawson Sunday.

Mrs. Martha Thompson and son Orin, made a business trip to Prosperity, Friday.

Milt Thompson went to Louisa this week.

Vessie Jordan attended church at Spring Dale Sunday.

Mrs. Belle Crabtree was visiting her mother, Mrs. Martha Lawson, Monday.

John J. Meek, of Smoky Valley, was on our crew recently.

Leo, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Berry is slowly improving after a severe attack of croup.

Wiley and Elmer Moore were visiting Henry Bates Saturday.

No Tr ops.

No troops will be sent to Carter, Elliott, or Grayson counties by Gov. Willson to protect collectors while they endeavor to gather the railroad taxes, which had been adjudged legal obligations of these counties by the Federal Courts.

What the Governor believes will be ripened to a complete understanding and amicable arrangement was reached at the lengthy conference held in the mansion. The Sheriff and County Attorney of Carter county agreed to do what their duty requires in the matter, and Gov. Willson is satisfied. He will later issue a complete statement setting forth the result of the conference.

Arbor Day.

This is Arbor Day. Read these lines from Whittier, and set:

Give fools their gold and knaves their power;

Let fortune's bubbles rise and fall;

Who sows a field, or trains a flower, Or plants a tree, is more than all.

Important Martin Co. Decision.

Judge Hunt of Cincinnati has decided that 15,445 acres of land, embracing almost the entire county of Martin in Kentucky, and containing mines, minerals and the town of Warfield, rightfully belonged to C. E. Breigel and his mother, Catherine M. Breigel. The title to the property was vested in their names.

In 1837 the land was sold by order of the court to Louis Burger, but the plaintiffs declared Burger had only contributed part of the purchase price, and an agreement was made, whereby Burger was to act as trustee. It was on this agreement that the decision was based.

The largest part of this immense property at one time belonged to Col. James A. Barrett, deceased. He tried in vain to hold his valuable lands, and now none of his name own, as far as known, an acre of the big domain. The money spent in litigation pending the adjustment of the many claims to the estate is a fortune in itself.

There is no finer coal on earth than the Warfield coal, and its resources are just beginning to be developed. With the final adjudication of the contending interests it is reasonable to presume that the land will be divided into smaller boundaries or that the almost limitless mineral wealth will be developed as a whole.

Fred Vinson Still Leading.

Recently we mentioned the excellent record being made by Fred M. Vinson, of this place, at Central University, Danville, Ky. Another examination was held last week and Fred made the highest general average of any student in the University. His average was 98 per cent. His lowest grade on any branch was 96 per cent. Fred is a graduate of the Kentucky Normal College of Louisa, which accounts largely for his thoroughness.

Has Bought Another Store.

W. D. Pierce of this place has purchased a general store at Greenfield, Ga. He will conduct that store and also the one at Louisa. Greenfield is about 150 miles from here and has a population of about 6,000.

MARRIAGE

Dr. J. Allen Prichard and Miss Laura Compton.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. John Compton in Ashland was the scene of a most beautiful home-wedding last Wednesday at high noon when his sister, Miss Laura K. Compton, of Buchanan, became the wife of Dr. J. Allen Prichard, of Mavity.

The bride is an accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Compton, of Buchanan, and is well and favorably known by a host of people in Louisa. As will be remembered she was telegraph operator here for some time and her genial disposition won for her many friends. The groom is a prosperous physician and is one of Boyd county's wealthiest citizens.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. B. F. Ball, pastor of the M. E. Church, of Buchanan, no one being present but a few of the immediate relatives. The bride was handsomely attired in a dark blue traveling suit. The ceremony being over and an elegant dinner having been served, they were driven to the C. & O. depot where they boarded No. 3 for a tour through the West visiting relatives in Nebraska en route. After a few weeks they will be at home to their friends at Mavity, where the Dr. has his home already furnished awaiting its mistress. May the richest blessings of life surround them is the wish of their many friends.

Broke Her Arm.

Miss Julia Snyder sustained a very serious and painful injury on Monday last. She is a pupil of the K. N. C. and while going from one building to another on the day mentioned she fell and broke her left arm between the elbow and the shoulder. Dr. T. D. Burgess was called and set the fractured bone.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Mrs. C. C. Sullivan Passed Away at Ashland Tuesday Night.

BURIED AT LOUISA YESTERDAY.

Mrs. Charley Clifford Sullivan was born near Fort Gay, W. Va., on December 20, 1831. She died in Ashland, Ky., March 30, 1909. She was the daughter of Frederick and Pamela Moore. When very young she became the wife of Rev. Christian Sullivan, a man prominent in Methodism. Mr. Sullivan died in 1864. Of this union there are four living children.

These are Mrs. Jas. Shannon, Henry and William Sullivan, of Louisa, and a sister Mrs. Rebecca Gallup, of Catlettsburg, and a brother, F. R. Moore, of this county, are living. Many grandchildren, a great grandchild and numerous nephews and nieces are also living.

Notwithstanding her advanced age Mrs. Sullivan maintained good health, losing some of the infirmities of those who are advanced in years. During the recent winter she suffered much with rheumatism, but no great alarm was felt until last Monday. Her condition then grew serious and her children here were then summoned. They left on the first train for Ashland Tuesday morning but arrived too late to see their honored mother alive. On Wednesday the body of Mrs. Sullivan was brought to this city and carried to the residence of her son Henry. At 10:30 a. m. Thursday it was taken to the M. E. Church South where the solemn funeral was held.

Many years ago it was said by Mrs. Sullivan that she wanted the Rev. John T. Johnson to preach her funeral, and if he were dead she wanted it preached by Dr. T. S. Wade. Mr. Johnson has long since gone to the reward of the righteous, and so it became the sad duty of Dr. Wade to comply with the wish of his dead friend. He came, and over the cold form of her whose spirit had left the mute clay and gone to Him who gave it he pronounced a fitting eulogy.

Before the removal of the body to the church many friends of the deceased visited the house where it lay amid the wealth of flowers, tokens of regard and affection from those who knew and loved her who had gone.

At the conclusion of the service the body was taken to Pine Hill cemetery, and there in the midst of those who were near and dear to her, bone of her bone and flesh of her flesh, the mortal remains of Mrs. Sullivan will rest.

With the passing of Mrs. Sullivan a notable character has left the scenes of life. She was in many respects a remarkable woman. From her father and mother she inherited a mind of great strength and a brain of great power. She received a fine education, and she supplemented this with a course of reading and study which ended only with her life. She was by nature a woman of great refinement, and this, with her rare culture, genial manner and attractive personality made her a most delightful companion. She was a woman of noble impulses, affectionate, and charitable. Her love enriched its objects, and her friendship was sought after and prized by its recipients. And with all these splendid attributes Mrs. Sullivan was a devoted Christian. She lived her life as became one of her high estate, cheerfully, happily, and without the slightest taint of Pharisaism, and that she has reaped the reward of her right living there is, there can be, not the slightest doubt. She had nearly reached by "reason of strength," the biblical four score, but the strong mind, the fine intellect, were never for a moment dulled or clouded, and death for her was but a transition. The ship which bore her along the stormy sea of time has "crossed the bar" and rests in the haven of eternal peace.

Owing to a derailment of a freight car on the O. & B. S. at Chestnut, just south of Richardson, Thursday evening, passenger train No. 38 was delayed several hours, not reaching Pikeville until 3:30 o'clock next morning.

Local Option Fight in Boyd.

The liquor fight in Catlettsburg and Ashland is being hotly contested. The vote will be taken next Monday.

In Catlettsburg the fight is extremely fierce. There are some very unusual and absurd features in the situation. On the side of the "wet" are a number of church members, several temperance (?) business men, and, worst of all, a few women.

Their excuse is that this is a fight over the location of the county seat. They say they did not want to vote on the liquor question until after the county seat matter is settled and they are retaliating by voting for the sale of intoxicants.

In so doing they are really voting to move the court house to Ashland, especially if Ashland should go dry, as it seems very likely to do. Under this condition Catlettsburg would be made such a disreputable place by the drunkards of Ashland, Ironton and elsewhere, that the country people would vote to move the county seat to Ashland.

The Fly.

Speaking of sources of typhoid infection the Courier-Journal contributes the following. It's not a complimentary notice, but no one can deny its truthfulness:

And the fly—the common house fly. The Government Investigator considers the name too tame. He urges the people to adopt as a substitute the style "typhoid fly" as more appropriate to the criminal character of the insect as the main disseminator of typhoid fever. Dr. Howard pays the fly no compliments. The insect is bred on filth, it feeds on filth, it carries from 550 to 6,600,000 bacilli around and deposits them in butter, milk or other food which the human takes into his stomach. If there is any pest which should be exterminated with all the aggressiveness the rage can command it is the fly. As for the economic loss caused by the fly's habits, the author volunteers no figures. He allows the reader to draw his conclusions.

Shannon Branch.

Death has again visited our community and taken from us Mrs. Vicky Moore, the beloved wife of Andy Moore. She was 48 years of age and a good Christian woman, a kind wife and mother. She will be greatly missed, for all loved her. Besides her husband and four sons she leaves four sisters and five brothers and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. The bereaved have the sympathy of the entire neighborhood.

W. T. Cartmel and wife visited Harvey Shannon Sunday. James Miller and Bill Cox passed here Sunday en route to John Adkin's.

Mrs. H. J. Shannon and Mrs. Annie Hardin visited Mrs. Nora Shannon Sunday.

John Shannon is on the sick list. Mrs. May Olive and Onolda Shannon made a trip to Torchlight Friday.

Granville Thompson passed through here and reports Miss Gypsy fast improving.

Misses Emma and Dellia Shannon attended church on Lick creek Sunday.

ROSE.

Dr. Banfield in New York.

Dr. A. P. Banfield, of Catlettsburg, will leave on April 6th for New York, where he will spend a few weeks attending medical lectures.

Since his graduation Dr. Banfield has taken about fifteen post-graduate courses in New York so as to keep thoroughly up-to-date as a specialist on diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat.

Delay in Gas Service.

The use of the new college building has been delayed a month already by the failure of the gas company to install a meter. Application was made two months ago for the meter. The gas company claims the delay is the fault of the factory that furnishes the equipment. It is certainly a very unsatisfactory way of serving the public.

Garred Hughes is very ill at his home near Louisa.

PASSED AWAY.

Mrs. Louisa McClure Died Here April 1st and Will be Buried Today.

Mrs. Louisa McClure died at her home in Louisa at 5:30 a. m. Thursday, April 1st. The funeral was held at the M. E. Church at 4 p. m., conducted by the Rev. Dr. Hanford, and the body will be taken to the old McClure place between Torchlight and Chapman Friday morning. Interment will be made in the graveyard, where the husband and only daughter of Mrs. McClure are buried.

Mrs. McClure had been in poor health for quite a while. For several days it was apparent to the family and relatives that the end was near. Disease of various forms had secured such a hold upon her frail body that there could be but one result. Ever since the illness and death of her son Stephen a few weeks ago she had been in a very bad condition.

Mrs. McClure was born March 3, 1841, and was therefore 68 years of age. Her maiden name was Booth. She was married to Wm. McClure in 1864, and he died in 1889. Four sons survive. They are J. B., of Kentucky Normal College, Morris, of Central City, Jeff of Williamson and Arnold of Yuma, Arizona. Two sisters of Mrs. McClure are here—Mrs. Emily Chapman, of Central City, and Mrs. John Chapman, this county. A brother, Hurston Booth, of West Virginia was with her a few days previous to her death. Many relatives attended the funeral.

Mrs. McClure was a woman of fine character, and was a devout Christian from early womanhood to the hour of her death. She brought up her family right and under many difficulties and the sons lived to honor her for the sacrifices she had made in their behalf. She will be greatly missed by them and also by her neighbors and friends. Her deeds of kindness to those with whom she came in contact were many and will long be remembered.

WEDDED.

Oscar Graham and Miss Ida Crum Hewlett Married at Louisa.

A very pretty wedding occurred in this city on Tuesday last. Ida, the bright and attractive daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Hewlett, was married to Oscar Graham, a popular and worthy citizen of this county. The bride looked very pretty in her marriage gown of white, and in her traveling dress of green she made an equally as charming a picture. Only the more intimate friends of the fair young bride were present at the ceremony, which was conducted by the Rev. G. C. Hutchinson, of the M. E. Church, South. Shortly after the wedding the good looking young couple left for a short honeymoon trip. Upon their return they will go to the home of the groom near Prosperity, and there commence life as one.

The groom is a son of Larkin Graham, one of our best citizens, and is a well educated worthy, young man. He was formerly a pupil of the K. N. C.

The NEWS hopes that they may not only live "near Prosperity," but that prosperity and happiness may always attend them.

Lost His Hand.

Wayne Scott, aged about 20 years, of Buffalo creek, Pike county, is doomed to go through the world single handed, as a result of an accident which befell him last Friday. He was out hunting, and being about to fall from some reason, he tried to throw his shotgun from him. As he attempted to do this it was discharged and the whole load went through his left hand. His father and uncle brought him to Riverview hospital, this city, the next day, and late that evening the injured member was amputated near the wrist by Drs. York and Bromley.

School Buildings and Grounds.

Superintendent of Public Instruction J. G. Crabbe has issued his monthly bulletin from the Kentucky Department of Education, being No. 1 of the new series. Prof. Crabbe has made application for entry for this publication as second-class mail matter at the post-office, and intends to make this the official organ of the department to carry the news of Kentucky's educational awakening to those who are interested. This month's bulletin deals almost exclusively with "School Grounds and school buildings," and is enriched with a multitude of handsome cuts and drawings illustrating modern methods of heating, lighting and arranging school rooms and for beautifying the grounds. Twenty thousand of these bulletins are being sent out.

Adams.

The Thompson boys who have been sick so long are worse.

Mrs. Ella Vanhousen is on the sick list this week.

Miss Beulah B. Miller and sister, Elva attended church at Blaine last Sunday.

Mumps are plenty at this place.

Miss Mary E. Newcomb was the guest of her cousins, Beulah and Addie Miller Sunday.

G. W. Moore and wife of Ellen were the guests of his brother at Ledocio Saturday and Sunday.

Albert McKinster, of Shannon Branch, was visiting his sister, Mrs. Mary Miller, Sunday.

Mrs. Charley Childers and children were visiting her parents Sunday.

Miss Beulah Miller spent Sunday with Nolan Moore.

There will be church at this place the second Sunday by Rev. Stansberry and Frale.

J. M. Webb, of Webbville, was visiting at Lewis Thompson's Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Lizzie Moore spent Friday with Mrs. Mary Moore.

Guests Who.

Dingess W. Va.

W. D. Compton left last Sunday for Stone Branch, where he has secured a position as blacksmith for the Stone Branch Coal Company.

Deputy Sheriff G. A. Adams, of Logan county, was here last Saturday looking for the parties who broke jail in Logan county last Wednesday night.

Ellisha Wellman made a business trip to Williamson last Tuesday.

Sol. Riddle was visiting J. C. Crance last Sunday.

Carl and Oscar Elkins were visiting their grandparents at Logan last week.

William Auxier was a business visitor at Naughtuck last Sunday.

Dr. R. L. Baidon was a business caller at Breeding last week.

Old Hickory.

A large body of civil engineers has recently gone to Martin county, this State and the Eastern part of Wayne county, West Virginia. The parties were in three distinct sections and carried complete tenting outfits. These engineers will survey the coal lands of that locality. One party will work in Martin county, surveying and locating the vast areas of mineral and other wealth in that region. Another will work along Jennie's Creek and Soursong creek in Wayne, while a third will be assigned to the Marrowbone section of Mingo county.

The work will occupy several months. Many thousand acres of undeveloped mineral lands lie in that vicinity and various interests have holdings. The object of the present surveys is to make well defined lines between the properties of the various land owners and leaseholders so that when transfers are made and developments begin, there will be no confusion.

The NEWS could not believe that in all Wilber and vicinity there could be a "Gif Without a Sweet-heart," but a lassie from that locality so signs herself and forgot to tell us what other cognomen belongs to her. Therefore, so, and likewise hence and consequently, her letter does not appear in this paper.

The Ladies of the M. E. Church South will hold an Easter Bazaar on Friday and Saturday, April 9 and 10. An Easter egg hunt for the children in connection with the Bazaar.